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LETTER DATED 11 JANUARY 1995 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit the enclosed letter, dated 10 January 1995, from my President addressed to you.

May I ask for your kind assistance in circulating this letter and its annex as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Muhamed SACIRBEY
Ambassador and Permanent Representative

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Annex

Letter dated 10 January 1995 from the President of Bosnia and Herzegovina addressed to the President of the Security Council

We have committed ourselves to the cease-fire and cessation-of-hostilities agreement (signed on 23 and 31 December 1994, respectively) with the hope that this would bring a pause in the war throughout the entire territory of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina and the hope for a true, durable peace.

Unfortunately, neither goal remains achieved. While the so-called Bosnian Serbs continue to pervert the cessation of hostilities as another method to undermine and reject the Contact Group peace plan, their accomplices, the so-called Croatian Serbs, continue to engage in an offensive and cross-border aggression against the Bihać region of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The representatives of the United Nations Protection Force (UNPROFOR) in our meetings in Sarajevo have confirmed that this aggression has not ceased and that they cannot, unfortunately, report that the so-called Croatian Serbs have withdrawn back across the border.

We request that the Security Council re-emphasize its call to put an end to this cross-border aggression and for the withdrawal of these invading forces. Failure to adequately respond to this matter undermines the entire fragile cease-fire in our Republic as well as being a violation of international law with respect to which we reserve all options to respond.

(Signed) Alija IZETBEGOVIC